

# Wave

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## LOW INCOME GAS DISCOUNT

Applications are currently being accepted for participation in Long Beach Energy's Low-Income Gas Discount Program. Qualified customers receive a five percent discount off the gas portion of their City of Long Beach utility bill.

To qualify for the Program, the combined household income guidelines are as follows:

One to two persons in the household	\$24,200
Three persons in the household	\$28,400
Four persons in the household	\$34,200
For each additional person add	\$5,800

New applicants may apply at any time. Existing customers who would like to renew their participation in the Program, must submit the application and current proof of income no later than September 30, 2005. If not received by this date, existing customers will need to reapply.

Applications are available in the City Hall lobby, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, at branch libraries, community centers, and at the Long Beach Energy Department. Individuals needing assistance or who have questions regarding the Program should call 570.2068.

**Note:** Individuals who are presently enrolled in the Utility Users Tax Exemption Program (Seniors and/or Disabled receiving SSI), and have not had a recent change of address, need not reapply. For more information, please call 570.3533.

Save the Date!

  
**Green Port**  
Long Beach

## Open House

Showcasing our Efforts to Improve the Environment

October 1  9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

- \* New Port Clean Air Technology
- \* Port Environmental & Recycling Programs
- \* New Hybrid Vehicles
- \* Free Harbor Cruises 
- \* Games & Activities for Children & Adults
- \* Free Environmental Gift Bags & Goodies
- \* Free Refreshments
- \* Aquarium Touch Tank

Port Administration Campus  
925 Harbor Plaza • Long Beach, CA 90802

 **THE PORT OF  
LONG BEACH**

## Just a Call Away . . . Code Enforcement

Illegally parked vehicles, weeds, trash and debris, illegal auto repairs and illegal garage conversions—are these problems in your neighborhood? The Long Beach City Council's Code Enforcement

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## Save Electricity, Save Money

Save electricity and you could be rewarded by Southern California Edison's 20/20 Plan. For details visit [www.sce.com/2020](http://www.sce.com/2020) or call 1.800.799.4209.

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## For Your Information . . . Proposition 65

**A**s a result of the State of California's Proposition 65 *Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986*, an annual list of substances known to the State to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity is produced for public information.

Proposition 65 was intended by its authors to protect California citizens and the State's drinking water sources from substances known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, and to inform citizens about exposures to such substances.

Long Beach Energy is providing the following information to minimize the public's possible exposure to substances on the State's list as they relate to Long Beach Energy's natural gas service.

**Facilities and Work Sites** – Some of the equipment and materials used by Long Beach Energy at any of its random work sites throughout Long Beach and Signal Hill such as paint, welding rods, and gasoline, contain substances on the State's list. Long Beach Energy handles these items cautiously and in accordance with applicable safety standards. Nonetheless, exposure to substances on the State's list, including tobacco smoke, is possible at any of these work sites.

**Natural Gas Leaks** – Small amounts of substances on the State's list are found in natural gas. If gas is leaking, exposure to these substances is possible. If you smell a very strong odor of gas, leave the area, and call Long Beach Energy immediately at 570.2140 to report the odor and location.

**Natural Gas Combustion** – Combustion, including burning natural gas, produces substances on the State's list. To minimize the potential for possible exposure, always operate gas equipment according to the manufacturer's instructions.

**Appliance Service** – Long Beach Energy will inspect and adjust the pilots on your gas appliances and equipment, and show you how to use and maintain your appliances correctly and efficiently. If you have questions about the safe operation of your gas appliances, please call 570.2100.

## Progress Report . . . Long Beach Airport

**A**s the lead agency, the City is currently preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Proposed Airport Terminal Area Improvements Project at the Long Beach Airport. All of the comments received during the 2003 and the 2005 EIR Notice of Preparation (NOP) scoping meetings are **now available** for review on the Airport's website at [www.lgb.org](http://www.lgb.org).

The EIR preparation process began in October 2003 with the circulation of an NOP followed by two public scoping meetings to discuss the original concept for Airport Terminal Improvements. In February 2005, the City Council approved a revised project concept, an EIR scope and a revised NOP. Two additional public scoping meetings were conducted in 2005.

The Draft EIR, which is now being prepared, is scheduled to be circulated to the general public and public agencies for 45 days in Fall 2005. During this comment period, the public may submit written comments on the information contained in the Draft EIR. All written comments received during the public review period of the Draft EIR will be responded to in the Final EIR.

## Code Enforcement . . . continued

Citation Ordinance is designed to address these issues and to ensure the health and safety of residents and businesses in Long Beach.

If you have questions regarding the Code Enforcement Citation Ordinance or need assistance with property maintenance issues in neighborhoods or business corridors, call 570.CODE (2633).

## Economic Development

Are you finding it impossible to get a business loan from the bank? Try the **Business Development Center**. Speak to a Business Loan Counselor today!  
Call 570-3800.



### \$75 REBATE

Purchase any new toilet and receive a rebate for \$75. Certain restrictions apply; see application for details and program information.

Download an application from our web site at [www.lbwater.org](http://www.lbwater.org) or call 435.7744.



### \$125 REBATE

Purchase a new, approved High Efficiency Clothes Washer and receive a rebate for \$125. Certain restrictions apply; see application for details and program information.

Download an application from our web site at [www.lbwater.org](http://www.lbwater.org) or call 435.7744.

Be sure the model you are interested in is an approved HECW before purchase!

### FREE

Learn how to create a beautiful water-smart landscape that will lower your water bill, reduce yard maintenance, and protect the environment.

FREE 4-hour classes are offered once-per-month on Saturday mornings.

Visit our web site for information on class material and class schedules ([www.lbwater.org](http://www.lbwater.org)).

Seating is limited; to reserve a spot today, call 570.2303.

These important water conservation programs are offered by your Long Beach Water Department - your partner in water quality, water reliability, and environmental protection.